

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior listings of claims presented in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method of treating a bacterial disease of the lungs in a human[[s]] ~~and~~ or animal[[s]] comprising the step of locally administering an antibacterially effective amount of a solid ciprofloxacin betaine or enrofloxacin betaine or a solid slightly soluble salt of ciprofloxacin betaine or enrofloxacin betaine, in a powder form or powder-containing suspension.

2. (canceled)

3. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the solid slightly soluble salt is an embonate salt.

4–9. (cancelled)

10. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the solid slightly soluble salt is a hemiembonate salt.

11. (canceled)

12. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the solid slightly soluble salt is a mixture of an embonate salt and a hemiembonate salt.

13–14. (canceled)

15. (previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein the bacterial disease of the lungs is associated with cystic fibrosis, chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases (COPD), or bronchiectasis.